## REQUEST for CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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| Application Number     | 10/567,684            |
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| Filing Date            | February 9, 2006      |
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| Group Art Unit         | 2837                  |
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| Confirmation No.       | 2119                  |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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|--------------|--|---|------------|--|---|--|
| 1.           | Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).  a. [] Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action |   |            |  |   |  |
|              |  | may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.  I. [] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on II. [] Other |            |  |   |  |
|              | b.   | [X]<br>I.<br>II.<br>IV.   | [X]<br>[]  | d:   Amendment/Reply   Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)   Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)   Other                                  |   |  |
| 2.           | <ul> <li>Miscellaneous</li> <li>a. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required).</li> </ul>  |   |            |  |   |  |
|              | b.   | []  | Other      |  |   |  |
| 3.           | 3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)  a. [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 23-0975.  I. [] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)  II. [] Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and § 1.17)  III. [X] Other: Any deficiency or to credit any over payment associated with this filing  |   |            |  |   |  |
|              | b.   | []  | Check ir   | n the amount of \$ enclosed  |   |  |
|              | c.   | [X]<br>I.<br>II.<br>III.  | [X]        | t is made by Credit Card in the amount of \$RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 a Other |   |  |
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